Arkansas State Board of Physical Therapy Board Minutes

Friday, May 22, 2020 Zoom

Board Members Present: Rob Tillman, Sam Denton, and Velvet Medlock.

Representative from Attorney General's Office: Sara Farris

Staff Present: Nancy Worthen, Lyndsey Kinsey

Others Present: Seth Coulter, Gabe Freyaldenhoven

CALL TO ORDER

Rob Tillman, secretary/treasurer, called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

Gabe Freyaldenhoven Email

An email was received from Gabe Freyaldenhoven requesting an opinion from the Board. Arkansas Code 17-80-402 (2) states: "Healthcare professional" means a person who is licensed, certified, or otherwise authorized by the laws of this state to administer health care in the ordinary course of the practice of his or her profession". Mr. Freyaldenhoven asked if Arkansas licensed physical therapists and physical therapist assistants qualify as healthcare professionals. The Board determined that physical therapists and physical therapist assistants are healthcare professionals. The motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the position statement drafted by Sara Farris.

<u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Nancy Worthen Executive Director